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Do I Need a Building Permit?

Interested in completing a home project in 2018?

You will need to obtain a building permit from the Department of Public Works (150 Northside Drive) for the following types of projects: Remodel of a home, decks, larger windows, sheds, garages, electrical work, plumbing work, HVAC work, pools, and siding.

Pool permits are needed for any type of pool that is over 30 inches. A 5 foot fence is also required around the pool.

If you have any questions regarding building permits, please contact the Department of Public Works at (608) 868-6914.

City of Milton Park Rentals

Looking for a location for your 2018 family reunion or graduation party? The City of Milton is now accepting park rental applications for the following locations:

- Milton Community House (20 Parkview Drive)
- Central Park (Near intersection of Municipal Drive and Hilltop Drive)
- Lamar Park (S. Crescent Street, near Milton West Elementary School)

• South Goodrich Park (adjacent to the Splash Pad at intersection of High Street and Parkview Drive and a great place for children's birthday celebrations!)

Contact City Hall at 868-6900 for pricing and availability.



Story Gardens Information

The Parks & Recreation Commission, Story Gardens Subcommittee, and Library staff are working on completing a preliminary plan to transform the outdoor area at the Milton Public Library into a space for additional programming. The mission of Story Gardens is, "to educate and enrich the community through exploration in an outdoor garden. Story Gardens is an open air branch of the library that promotes literacy and life-long learning through its literature-based themes and outdoor library programs."

The first phase will feature a gazebo, a performance space, six garden areas, art installations, and a ramp to easily access the site.

In order to accomplish this first phase, the Parks & Recreation Commission and Story Gardens Subcommittee is requesting support from the community. For more information on donating go to www.milton-wi.gov/StoryGardens or contact City Hall at (608) 868-6900 ext. 5.

Updates & Reminders from the Department of Public Works



Emerald Ash Borer Updates Trees marked with green dots are trees that have been noticed for EAB or other

problems that have made the trees hazardous. These trees will need to be removed. A first letter was sent to property owners and follow up letters will be sent to the property owners later this winter or early spring in 2018 but the property owners can complete the removal on their own or contact a tree removal company as soon as they want to complete this removal.

Report Concerns

Have you seen a large pothole or piece of park equipment that is damaged? These and other

concerns about roads or other City of Milton facilities can be directed to the Department of Public Works at (608) 868-6914.



Street Light Out?

Do you have a street light out near your business or residence? Call the Department of Public Works at (608) 868-6914 so they can notify Alliant Energy.

Need Salted Sand?

Salted Sand is available at the Public Works Facility, 150 Northside Drive, for residential sidewalks.

Important Dates to Remember

Dog & Cat Licenses Due:

- April 1, 2018
- \$10 late fee assessed per animal after April 1, 2018

Elections:

- February 20, 2018
- April 3, 2018
- August 14, 2018
- November 6, 2018

Property Taxes:

• First installments are due by January 31, 2018 to the Rock County Treasurer, PO Box 1508, Janesville, WI 53547-1508

Christmas Tree Collection:

- January 1-31, 2018
- Place trees at the terrace for collection. Collection occurs as time and weather allow.

Veterans Park Brick Orders Due:

 March 9, 2018 – to be placed by Memorial Day 2018

<u>Winter Refuse /</u> Recycling Collection

Please remove snow from an area on the terrace for your refuse and recycling containers during collection. During large snow events, plows often hit containers in the streets or have to go around them leaving large snow piles in the street.

Department Phone Numbers

City Hall - 868-6900 Fire Dept.: 868-2842 Library - 868-7462 Police Dept. -868-6910 Public Works -868-6914



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Library News and Events



All Rock County public libraries, as members of Arrowhead Library System (ALS), are preparing to welcome SHARE—the new library catalog and account portal. Beginning in mid-January, patrons will experience a new and improved way to search library holdings and manage accounts.

Highlights include a larger collection – 2.15 million items; current library cards will be accepted at 28 public libraries serving the counties of Rock, Kenosha, Racine, and Walworth; search results will integrate digital items for use on phones, tablets, computers, and e-readers using the Libby (OverDrive) and Hoopla apps; Favorite Author Club; and BookMyne library catalog and account app.

For more information about SHARE and its features, stop by the library or visit als.lib.wi.us/share.html.

We also have some exciting new programs planned for 2018. Here's a few from the schedule:

Crazy 8s® Math Club - Every Thursday in February, 4:30-5:30 p.m. For kids in grades 3-5. You'll build stuff, run and jump, make music, make a mess...it's a totally new kind of math club. Space is limited. Please only sign up if you can commit to at least 3 of the 4 sessions. Registration is required.

Exam Study Hours

- Monday, January 15, 8 10 p.m.
- Tuesday, January 16, 8 10 p.m.
- Wednesday, January 17, 6 9 p.m.

The library is extending its hours for high school students to study for exams. Snacks, coffee, and other beverages will be provided. If you plan on attending, please register at the library.

Snow Reminders:

- 1) All snow must be removed from sidewalks, regardless of the amount of snow.
- 2) Please don't shovel or push snow into the street.

Self Defense Class

- Females only Monday, February 5, 6 7 p.m.
- Males and Females Monday, February 19, 6 7 p.m.

Provided by Master Instructor Michael Plessel from Integrity Martial Arts in Milton. Space is limited and registration is required. For ages 12-18.

Instant Story Theater - Saturday, February 24, at 1:00 p.m. Improvisational acting and storytelling come together to bring stories to life. We will have several stories ready to share by the end of the session. For ages 12-18. Registration required.

The SPARK: No Pressure Painting: Beginning Acrylics - Monday, January 29 at 6 p.m. Want to give acrylic painting a try but don't know how to start? No worries, just come learn about basic materials and methods with other beginners. Adults 18 & up. Space is limited and registration is required.

The SPARK: Apps for Library Users - Tuesday, January 30 at 6 p.m. Discover new library apps and tools to get the most from your library experience and learn to access thousands of movies, music, books, and audiobooks anywhere. Get assistance with setup, browsing, and troubleshooting of Hoopla, Libby, Bookmyne and more. Simply bring your mobile device and curiosity. For adults 18 & up. Registration required.

The SPARK: DIY Wine Bottle Light - Tuesday, February 6 at 6 p.m. Turn an empty wine bottle into an illuminated work of art! For adults 18 & up. Space is limited and registration is required.

SPARK Mentorship (Volunteer Opportunity) Have a skill or passion for STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and math)? Want to share what you love with others? Become a SPARK Mentor! For more information and to submit your idea, please visit www.thesparkatmpl. wordpress.com/mentors/.

Winter Activities:



The King Park Sledding Hill and Air Products Ice Rink will be open as weather allows. Both

the sledding hill and ice rink are lighted.

City Meeting Schedule

- January 16, 6:30 p.m. Public Works Committee
- January 16, 7 p.m. Council
- January 17, 7 p.m. Joint Fire Commission
- January 25, 8:30 a.m. Tourism Development Committee
- February 5, 6:30 p.m. Library Board
- February 6, 4 p.m. Plan Commission
- February 6, 7 p.m. Council
- February 7, 5:30 p.m. Historic Preservation Commission
- February 19, 6 p.m. Parks & Recreation Commission
- February 20, 6:30 p.m. Public Safety Committee
- February 20, 7 p.m. Council
- February 21, 7 p.m. Joint Fire Commission
- February 22, 8:30 a.m. Tourism Development Committee
- March 5, 6:30 p.m. Library Board
- March 6, 4 p.m. Plan Commission
- March 6, 7 p.m. Council
- March 7, 5:30 p.m. Historic Preservation Commission
- March 19, 6:00 p.m. –
 Parks & Recreation
 Commission

Dates and times for meetings may change. All agendas and minutes are posted on the City of Milton website (www.miltonwi.gov).